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To: Licensing

Cc: Cllr Manjula Sood; Cllr Raffiq Mohammed; Cllr Yasmin Surti Llcense Application 172513 Uncle J's 166a Evington Road



Hello

This business has been operating without an LNR. Although a condition of its planning permission is that it should close at 11pm it is open much later especially at weekends. This has been reported to Planning Enforcement and they are investigating. This was also reported to Licensing Enforcement in August 2024 and I understand that a warning letter was issued to the business by Matthew Robinson. I believe that this is why a License Application has now been made by this business to stay open after 11pm until 3am. In effect this is a retrospective application.

I am the Secretary of ERNA (Evington Road Neighbourhood Association) and our members feel that the concentration of fast-food premises with or without LNR's along Evington Road is excessive. We wish to object to the issuing of this License. We see no reason for Uncle J's to trade after 11pm. The grounds of our objection are the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance and the promotion of public safety.

The side streets off Evington Road are densely populated with Victorian terraced housing. Evington Road now attracts customers as a late-night/early-morning venue for fast food, either in situ or home-delivered. Fast food premises open late at night adversely affect the amenity of nearby residents by the nuisances of late-night noise, smells, littering and adds to the existing parking problems especially customer's cars and mopeds, e-bikes and pedal bikes used by delivery drivers who gather in clusters along Evington Road waiting for orders. These nuisances are worse in summertime when local residents and families are trying to sleep and are more likely to have their windows open.

This late-night economy has in recent years attracted crime and disorder to the area with fights, stabbings and, in one recent instance, a drive-by shooting. Low-level anti-social behaviour such as groups of people gathering on street corners talking and sometimes drinking is intimidating for many people. Local residents feel unsafe being outside their homes late at night and so avoid doing so. Personally I would not feel comfortable walking alone along Evington Road late at night.

This particular business is situated on a corner of Evington Road and therefore backs onto the terraced properties in the side street. Residents of those nearby properties would be severely affected by the nuisance of this business late at night and into the early hours of the morning, should this license be granted.

I understand that this License Application will be determined by a Licensing Hearing. Please advise me of the details of the committee hearing in due course so that I may attend.

